that program for food.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR JANSSEN: You know, put them on...right on that, on the
food stamp program. That would be simpler.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator.   Senator Suttle.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Madam President. I rise in support
of Senator Chambers' amendment.   I'm on the Health and Human
Services Committee and was present during the hearing on this
bill.   Senator Wehrbein, you mentioned that you did not want to
spend money for jails.   We found out during the hearing that
most of the people that are helped with this particular bill
is...are children, and better to have nutritious meals for
children and have them well fed and their brains working on all
six cylinders and have them grow up to be productive citizens of
the United States rather than causing more problems having
learning disabilities and all the problems that go with poor
nutrition. And I think that in the long run the 715,000 per
year is money well spent as a preventative of having to use
monies later on to incarcerate or to provide assistance to these
people.   So I would support this and urge the body to as well.
Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Suttle. Senator Elmer and
Senator Lynch announce that the following guest is visiting the
Legislature.   Bill Sullivan is here from Wallace, Nebraska. He
is seated under the south balcony. Will you please stand and be
recognized. Welcome to the Legislature. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Madam President, members.   I've
tried to clarify the situation and it is uncertain how this may
be implemented, but Senator Hudkins' concern, in follow up to
it, on average these people get about $55 a month. Fifty-five
dollars, as those of you who go out and buy food for your
family, doesn't go real far.   And so it may or may not be the
case that they do it exactly the same as food stamps, the one,
five and ten dollars. They may, in fact, look at a $55 voucher,
but the idea would be that it would then be used as a store
credit back to that store. So, typically, you're just not going